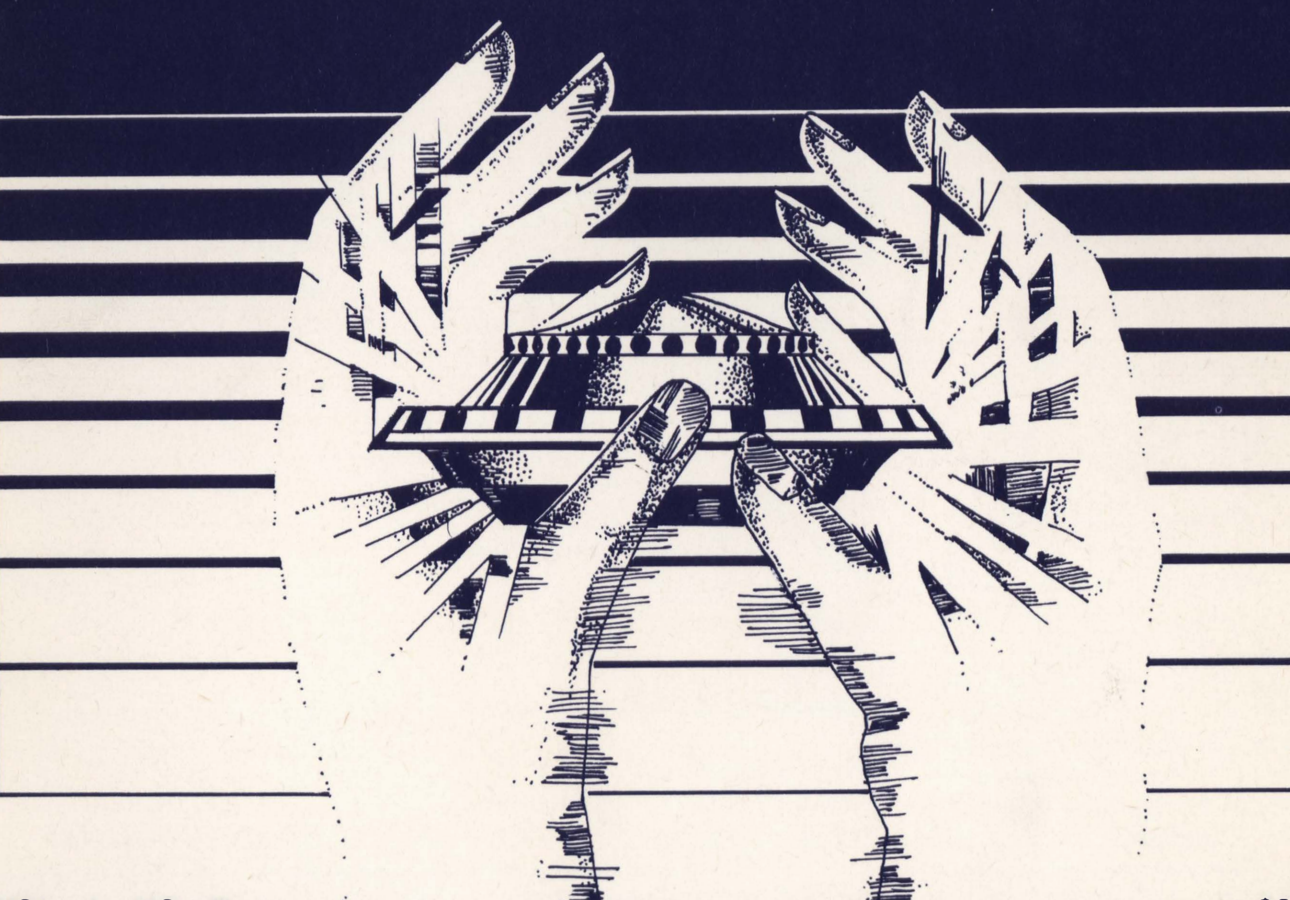
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LETTERS

Congratulations

Many thanks for your journal. I found it most important as far as Canadian coverage is concerned and it is certainly a fine addition to the ranks of currently published UFO publications. I'm certain you will have much success with it.

Timothy Green Beckley,
Publisher and Editor,
UFO REVIEW.

I received your *Journal UFO* today, and I thought it was terrific! The quality of it is apparent. I like how you have set it up and the way it has been printed. Congratulations!

Pat De la franier,
Director, Stratford
UFO Research Team.

Congratulations on your first issue of *Journal UFO*. I found it to be quite interesting and especially enjoyed reading the transcript from the "Gerry Armstrong" case.

I have enclosed the April/May, 1979 issue of our Newsletter.

Bonnie Wheeler,
President, Cambridge
UFO Research Group.

(Thanks Bonnie. Enjoyed reading your newsletter. -Ed.)

Thankyou for mailing me a copy of your new *Journal UFO*. It is very well planned from an art and layout point of view and I appreciate the quality of paper used in the cover and contents. Very excellent articles. Keep up the good work!!

Earl J. Neff,
Ufologist,
Cleveland, Ohio.

(Hope you like the quality of the paper we've used for the cover this issue, Earl.-Ed.)

Read the first volume of *Journal UFO* and found it very interesting indeed.

Would like to see an article on teleporting if possible.

Keep up the good work, your *Journal UFO* is needed.

N. McLelland,
Barrie, Ontario.

Congratulations on an impressive, handsomely presented first issue! Your own article on the missing seven hours was, of course, of particular interest, and I look forward to seeing more. Please enter us for a year's subscription.

With best wishes for the Journal's success.

John Magor,
Publisher and Editor,
CANADIAN UFO REPORT.

Missing Seven Hours

I thank you for forwarding a copy of your journal with the missing seven hours revealed.

In scanning the book *(The Missing Seven Hours)*, I was disappointed that the seven hours had not been probed.

Your hypnotist is a little annoying in that he attempts to force his own biases on the subject at times, rather than simply draw out his memory of the experience.

It speaks well for Gerry that he refused to respond to the insistence that his experience is symbolic.

Thanks again.

Jim Lorenzen,
International Director,
APRO

(Thanks for your comments, Jim. I was also concerned about the 'symbolism' approach, but was assured by the psychiatrist that he was simply exploring all possibilities. For further discussion on this, please see the article on the analysis of the seven hour period in this issue.-Ed.)

I read *The Missing Seven Hours* before Christmas and I was deeply struck by it. As your book deals with 'synchronistic' phenomena I would like to mention the following event.

Your book is one of those few which have 'compelled' me to buy them. Even though I decided to postpone purchasing it till after the vacations, I yet found myself turning - almost by a physical force - to purchase it anyway. I've had a couple of experiences of this sort with books which later turned out to be highly significant in some fashion. (I am a hunch follower, in other words.) My experience following

the purchase was rather unique, however. Having gotten the book home I laid it aside and began to prepare a meal. While doing so I fantasized (daydreamed) that a friend visited me, saw some "Star Wars" posters on the wall and some UFO literature, and asked me if I really believed in "that stuff". Whereupon (in imagination) the phone began to ring and when answered began to emit a horrid beeping. I yelled to Bob to switch on the tape recorder near him and gave him instructions to operate it so we could get the noise on tape. Afterwards I told him that this sort of thing was not Ma Bell's fault but it had happened to other Ufologists (in the daydream I was one) and I showed a passage or two in a book to prove that such sounds (pulsing beeps) had been heard over Ufologists' telephones and had been recorded. I explained that our recording was very important because it could be compared with others.

Seeing that I hadn't opened your book yet I think this rather vivid daydream really hit home with respect to the material in the text covering the CFGM episode and the taped phone line disturbances (I'm certain I never heard of either).

I mention this episode not to brag (or bore), but to help explain my convictions that:

1) 'Synchronistic' phenomena are much more common than our officially accepted (academic-scientific-mechanistic) world-views allow for,

2) Such events appear to 'cluster' around certain types of experiences which trigger them, e.g. interests, love, 'peak experiences', a calling to the religious or shamanistic life, sickness, death, or near brushes with death, and UFOs and 'haunts' of various sorts.

F.L. Cote,
Montreal, P.Q.

(Thankyou for relating your experience to us and for your comments on synchronicity. For your interest this phenomenon has been reported by several well known authors in conjunction with their researches. Included in this group are Neal Wilgus (The Illuminoids), *John Keel* (Why UFOs) *and Dr. Jacques Vallee* (Messengers of Deception). *Vallee even goes to the extent of proposing an explanation for the existence of synchronistic phenomena which involves a complete re-thinking of our concept of space-time. Interested readers can read about this on pages 210-217 of* Messengers of Deception *published by And/Or Press, P.O. Box 2246, Berkeley, CA, 94702, USA.-Ed.)*

Apathy or secrecy ?

I hope that your ambitious ideas will succeed, not only in producing a good source of information for the uninformed public, but also bring to light important data that have been kept in the dark too long. Those of us who have been concerned with this subject since 1952 and earlier are seeing many repetitions of old sightings, and in some cases so called new releases that were known 27 years ago. Many people have made the mistake of ignoring some vital cases because the material did not fit their pre-conceived ideas. Now they will be in a hurry in an attempt to locate this long forgotten or ignored evidence.

In the August issue of *UFO Report* on page 11, is a report of a New Zealand UFO film taken last December. That film is identical to an Adamski film, and before anyone starts to laugh at the mention of his name, may I suggest that such people do some real homework that will include such sites as California; Norwich, England; Conniston, England; and Washington. One day their efforts will be rewarded. Real evidence does exist, known to a few and ignored by many.

On pg. 17 of *Journal UFO* Volume 1,1, Mr. Sinclair makes a brief reference to Canadian involvement in the withholding of information. His knowledge on this matter appears to be rather limited. I suggest that he contact Mr. Arthur Bray in connection with the large mass of metal found in the river not far from Ottawa in 1961, and investigated by the group in Ottawa under the leadership of Wilbert Smith. My own personal interest in the metal was well illustrated in *Topside*. A number of analyses have been conducted on the metal and the attitude of Canadian Government sources is known. The mass of metal minus some portions used in the studies may still be at the same place where we last carried out our studies of it.

A landing 30 miles north of Montreal in 1964 also produced evidence. The scorched effect etc., that has been seen all over the world was seen and studied. Photographs and dam-

(Cont. from pg. 2) aged plant growth were sent to authorities in Canada, who did not even have the civility to answer.

It has been my experience that whenever I have sent some details of a few of my own experiences in the UFO study, there is no response to the information that I sent to those UFO study groups. What I do receive is a copy of their journal and absolutely no acknowledgement of the vital information included in my report. One item in particular I have challenged anyone on the face of this planet to disprove, only to be answered by a stony silence.

The many World-wide authorities will not act unless forced to by overwhelming circumstances. In the past the United Nations department connected with Space Studies stated that officially they could not act unless asked by a few member nations. They have been asked, but have not acted. What the world's top authorities do not know about UFOs could be printed on the back of a postage stamp. The subject of UFOs never has been, is not, and never will be a domestic affair of the U.S. or USAF, but a matter for the U.N. Many nations, including Britain know as much and in some cases more about UFOs than the USA.

R. Anstee,
Montreal, P.Q.

(Thankyou for your interesting letter. I am not aware of the Adamski film which you infer is similar to the recently taken New Zealand film but most serious researchers today have written off Adamski as a hoaxer, particularly since his story was the theme of an unsuccessful science fiction novel he wrote prior to deciding to market it as fact. But it is also speculated by some that his appearance was very timely, and inadvertently (or was it planned that way?) cast dispersion on the whole UFO scene in the early 1950s. It certainly served the purpose of delaying serious UFO research for a significant period of time.

We hope to be doing a feature on Wilbert Smith in the near future and may be able to provide some added insight into the mysterious mass of metal you mentioned. Mr. Sinclair's knowledge, by the way, is much more extensive than you imply. Unfortunately space limitations prevented detailed discussion of all the points which were mentioned. You seem to know quite a bit about the degree to which governments are familiar with the nature of UFOs, yet you don't elaborate on the source of your knowledge.

Finally, in view of your reference to the United Nations, you may be interested in what Michael Sinclair has to say in his article in this issue. Ed)

EDITORIAL COMMENT

by David Haisell

During the last couple of months both *The UFO Examiner* and *UFO Canada* have ceased to publish, neither for financial reasons. Ralph DeGraw, a well known and respected UFO researcher and publisher of *The UFO Examiner*, found less and less time available for the enormous task of almost single-handedly producing a journal. (He assures me the MIB have not put him out of business, as some were quick to suggest!) We are pleased to announce that *Journal UFO (JUFO)* will henceforth be incorporating *The UFO Examiner*, and will be fulfilling any outstanding subscriptions. We hope all those who have enjoyed *The UFO Examiner* will likewise regularly subscribe to and enjoy *JUFO*. I served as Canadian correspondent to Ralph DeGraw, and Ralph has assured me he will remain as correspondent to *JUFO*.

Howard Gontovnick and Robert Sapienza, editors and publishers of *UFO Canada* state that the lack of serious interest on the part of many UFO researchers and the general public in carrying out an objective study of UFOs and IFOs (identified flying objects), is the main reason for their ceasing publication and active research. They claim there seems "to be a more serious attitude toward flying saucer invasions," than to objective study. It is surprising that this prevailing att-

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THE MISSING SEVEN HOURS ANALYSIS

DAVID A. HAISELL

In the first issue of JOURNAL UFO we presented the transcripts of the regressive hypnosis sessions which were conducted by a Toronto psychiatrist in an attempt to determine what Gerry Armstrong experienced during the seven hour period he was missing as a twelve year old in England in the summer of 1953. The contents of the transcripts seem to indicate that Armstrong had contact with non-human intelligences during the seven hour period in question but, as with any case involving regressive hypnosis, the material must be carefully analyzed before any conclusions can be drawn, if indeed any can be drawn at all. This article presents a discussion of the transcripts in view of what we know of regressive hypnosis and its use in Ufology, and in view of what has come to light concerning several other cases similar in some respects to that of Gerry Armstrong.

PSYCHIATRIST'S COMMENTS

Regressive hypnosis, as conceptualized by the psychiatrist consulted in this case, is a special state of mentation entered into by the percipient under the guidance of the hypnotherapist. It is characterized by extreme concentration on the part of the subject who is then able to examine his unconscious memories of a past event without the interference of current external stimuli which he is virtually able to eliminate. He is, of course, still aware of the therapist's voice, but of very little else. The channel of communication is maintained by the subject's 'monitoring ego' which enables him to hear the therapist and to respond to his directions, but the subject is still able to protest a directive if his monitoring ego so dictates.

For example, when Gerry Armstrong was told by the hypnotherapist that he would not remember what he had described during the regression session, he responded by exclaiming that he would remember. The monitoring ego is also capable of guiding the therapist somewhat in order to reveal information in the unconscious which it feels may be relevant to the discussion even if this information has not been directly requested by the therapist. Hence Armstrong's statements *"There's more to tell. Later moments"* and *"I have to get back into the ship to tell"*. This implies that the unconscious associated the additional information with what happened while Gerry was on board the ship.

Gerry was an easy subject to work with, and no difficulties were encountered during the hypnosis process. Nevertheless he was not an ideal subject because he is so well read in both Ufology and psychiatry, including hypnotic techniques. This is not an obstacle to discovering what happened during the seven hour period, but it does necessitate caution in interpreting the findings.

Possible interpretations fall into three main categories, namely i) he suffered from delirium, ii) Gerry was in a state of continuing hallucinosis and iii) he was actually physically removed from our frame of reality during the seven hour period.

The first two categories were classed as highly unlikely by the psychiatrist. Delirium could be caused by sunstroke or a hit on the head causing unconsciousness for a period of time, and in an attempt to explain the missing time a subject might create a scenario such as that revealed during Gerry's hypnosis. But due to the length of time involved and to other subsequent circumstances in the case which could not have been caused by delirium, it was eliminated by the psychiatrist as an explanation for the missing seven hours.

Continuing hallucinosis is a very rare occurrence more common to persons with epilepsy, from which Armstrong does not suffer. The hallucinated events would be reality to the percipient and it would be impossible for any hypnotic technique to reveal them as fantasy. Again, this was eliminated as a possible cause for Armstrong's experiences.

The third category was thought to be the correct interpretation. In other words Gerry was almost assuredly physically removed

from our frame of reality for about a seven hour period. The mechanism by which this was achieved was one of the following. Either Gerry projected himself into another reality (not to be confused with an out-of-body experience - OBE - or with so-called 'psychic viewing'), or he was the 'victim' of a UFO abduction. Classifying this as an example of being removed from our frame of reality is a somewhat questionable categorization, but the reader will probably agree that this is not the usual type of occurrence one would associate with our concept of everyday real events. The psychiatrist was unable to acertain which of these two mechanisms was the case, but stressed that this was not an overly important point. What was relevant was the fact that Gerry did have contact with intelligent non-human beings.

Even though he was not able to determine which mechanism was involved the psychiatrist nevertheless expressed the opinion that it was probably the former, namely, Gerry projected himself to another reality. This opinion was based on other cases with similar overtones with which he had been involved and also on the fact that he feels Gerry had shown this ability in other ways in other instances which he did not repress from his memory. A case in point would be his strange trip to Niagara Falls (see *The Missing Seven Hours*, PaperJacks, 1978, ch. 11). Whereas it would be expected that a twelve year old in his psychological state and environment would repress the whole experience in view of its bizzare nature, he would be more likely to remember many of the details of the Niagara Falls incident since it happened in 1973, twenty years later, when he was in a much better position both mentally and psychologically to accept and resolve such an occurrence.

Other cases in which the psychiatrist had been involved include that of a woman who is apparently able to project herself to other planets and paint landscapes of the scenery she observes. His opinion in this case has been concurred with by psychiatrists in Germany, South America and New Zealand who have also examined the woman. There is no proof, of course, but the quality of the experiences she describes are similar to Gerry's.

Psychokinetic abilities have been displayed in still other cases he has handled. A woman in his office unconsciously caused an ashtray to lift from a table, cross the room, and turn upside down over his lap. She was just as amazed as he, but admitted when questioned that she objected to his smoking in her presence. In another instance it was revealed that a woman consulting him had unconsciously caused a coat rack to fall on him during a moment in which she felt anger toward him. This woman eventually learned to control her psychokinetic ability. Even though most of Gerry's apparent psychokinetic abilities seem involuntary, the psychiatrist feels that he too may eventually learn to control them, and thus feasibly 'go anywhere'.

Although in *The Missing Seven Hours* it was speculated that there may be some connection between the various experiences of the Armstrong family, the doctor felt that this was not necessarily the case, and suggested that Gerry's perceptive abilities may be further developed than most, or that he may even have an ability to actually bring these events about. He is a creative person, unafraid of apparent irrationalities, and would not mentally 'remake' his experiences to conform with expected reality as someone less inclined might do. There is a distinct possibility that he is now more attuned to other realities, and as such has developed more psychokinetic abilities.

As far as the meaning of the seven hour encounter is concerned the psychiatrist feels there was no purpose other than just to make contact. In brief, under hypnosis Armstrong remembered two alien appearing beings who accompanied him to a 'spaceship' described as a ball of light, and who then took him on board. He was shown things by different beings who did most of the talking, and he was apparently told nothing he did not already know or would not eventually know at some future point in time. (One wonders just how much of what he was told influenced what was to be his way of thinking in later years.)

It is certain that in the twenty-five years between the event and the regression some details have been lost while others may have been revised or reorganized by his unconscious. Had this event happened to him more recently, some of the details may have been remembered and described quite differently. Nevertheless, the psychiatrist feels the essence of his experience is still there - Gerry did have contact with non-human beings, this contact initially frightening him. It seemed to him that he was picked up and carried to the 'ship' by two of these beings, but this may be a re-construction since if he did involuntarily project himself to another reality he would not have been able to explain it at twelve years of age, and this may have been his way of resolving the experience.

It would be impossible on the basis of hypnosis alone to distinguish whether the subject was reporting what he actually experienced during the seven hour period or was using convenient symbolism to convey the impressions to which he was subject. It is possible that the experience was so bizzare that it was impossible for Armstrong to describe it using terminology from our concept of reality. What Gerry saw as a ship, or what he saw as a room inside the ship may not have been a ship or a room at all, but these terms were the closest he could use to convey what he had seen. The same comment goes for the ladder. If Gerry and the beings on either side of him 'floated' to the 'ship', why would there have been any need for a ladder to 'climb aboard'? 'Ladder' may have been the only word he could think of to convey his meaning. This is further illustrated by his response to the psychiatrist when asked about the ladder while he was under hypnosis. He replied, *"I dunno. It's just in front of me... this thing. I dunno... round thing... I dunno what it is"*. Students of the Bible will recall Jacob's ladder which is interpreted symbolically by most, whereas Jacob certainly seemed to describe it as a ladder in his dream. Was he really dreaming, or was he told by others that he must have dreamt it?

It was to see if symbolism was involved that the psychiatrist suggested to Gerry that *"the hidden meaning of the room"* would be revealed, that the being in red was a symbol and would *"change into something"*, that the ship was a symbol and was going to change into what it really was, in each case at the count of three. This process was not very fruitful since the room revealed *"everything - all things - all is one - they do know all things"*, the being in red was revealed to be a *"teacher... his form is the same. He only says to teach"*, while the ship stayed the same, *"it has not changed"*. It would seem that if Gerry was describing his experience using symbolism he certainly had an experience of an extremely metaphysical nature. The other alternative is that he described the event as it actually happened.

Even though the psychiatrist gave him amnesia at the end of the hypnosis session to prevent the sudden trauma of remembering everything at once upon awakening, he feels that over a period of time Gerry will remember the details of the incident if his unconscious wants to remember. So far, this has not been the case.

CASE COMPARISONS

In view of the large number of purported UFO abductions during the last few years and the apparent wide variety of characteristics displayed in these encounters, it may be merely an academic exercise to note any similarities among such incidents when they appear to be outnumbered by dissimilarities. Nevertheless, in the interest of trying to ascertain any common thread, no matter how tenuous, it is of value to compare some aspects of Armstrong's experience with those of a few other well known cases. Some of these factors could be highly significant if the percipients are in fact describing their encounters as they really happened, rather than resorting to symbolism.

Patrolman Herb Schirmer experienced a UFO encounter which took place on December 3rd, 1967 outside Ashland, Nebraska. If we compare the transcripts of his eventual hypnotic regression as recorded in *The Book of Encounters*, by Warren Smith (Zebra books, Kensington Publishing Co., New York, N.Y., 1976) we find several similarities to the characteristics revealed in the Armstrong transcripts.

Both craft had a cold ladder leading to the entrance hatch. In both cases the ship appeared initially as a very intense light. In both cases a similar form of motive

power may have been implied, although the reference made by Armstrong, *("energy transition")*, is vague, and may not relate to power at all. There were several similarities in the appearance of the occupants. They were tiny, about four and a half feet tall with whitish-gray skins, small mouths and funny eyes. Communication was not verbal but seemed to be on a mental level, and both men experienced pain when receiving communication. In both cases the percipients were so astonished at what they were experiencing that they were only convinced they were not dreaming when they were touched by the entities. In both instances it was implied by the entities that something is wrong on Earth at present, and finally when they departed, the aliens in both cases indicated they would return, and used a word apparently not understandable to the percipients.

Another interesting aspect is the role played by the winged serpent in each case. Under hypnosis Schirmer drew a picture of the alien beings and their uniforms and noted they wore a winged serpent emblem on their right chest. In *The Missing Seven Hours* it is related that a silhouette drawing of a winged serpent mysteriously appeared and later disappeared from the Armstrong girls' blackboard shortly after Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong tried (and apparently partly succeeded) to make contact with a UFO passing overhead.

In the Armstrong regression tapes it was revealed that at about the time Gerry climbed the ladder to the ship the beings did something to the back of his neck, for he felt severe pressure on it for a short while. Immediately afterward, however, he felt relaxed. When he was found by his classmates and teachers he noticed a burning sensation at the back of his neck, and it was confirmed by the camp doctor that it was red and sore. Schirmer had the same problem. He had a red welt running down the nerve cord of his neck, right below his left ear. The welt was about two inches long and a half an inch wide. When Schirmer was presenting his case to the Condon Committee one of the committee members told him that a welt at that spot was the sign that a person had had a memory loss after encountering a UFO. Something more than a regular sighting had occurred. According to Schirmer the members of the committee became really excited when he mentioned the red welt and also when he mentioned having a tingling feeling all over his body when he drove back to the police station after the encounter. Recall Gerry Armstrong also felt numb on the way back to camp after he was found.

There have been several instances where the appearance of a red welt on the back of the neck seems to be related to an alleged UFO abduction. Another example was the case involving attorney Raymond Shearer (a pseudonym) whose encounter occurred in April, 1970 just outside Madison, Wisconsin. The incident followed the familiar pattern displayed in Schirmer's and Betty and Barney Hill's encounter, namely the subject was driving a car late at night and was brought to a halt by a landed UFO, and then approached by the occupants. Following his encounter, which also involved time loss, Shearer discovered a small, tender welt on the back of his neck. By noon of the same day the welt had blistered up, becoming extremely sore and painful. A doctor's examination that afternoon revealed scores of tiny perforations of the skin within the welt. The doctor put some salve on it and it gradually went away.

Later, during regressive hypnosis sessions, it was revealed that seconds after he stepped out of his car he felt a slight tingling sensation over his body. One of the beings then pressed a metallic device against his neck and he was told that it wouldn't hurt but would help him be able to talk to them. He felt funny for a minute, and then his fear seemed to leave him. Later he speculated it may have been some type of tranquilizer that removed the fear from a human during an encounter. Recall that Armstrong also felt relaxed after the pressure on his neck.

Furthermore, as with Armstrong and Schirmer, when Shearer was climbing aboard the craft he found the ladder and the inside of the ship to be very cold.

Another similarity is that in each of the three cases the percipient eventually found himself standing in front of a screen-like device. Armstrong apparently viewed his life on the screen, Schirmer saw scenes outside the craft, while Shearer was told they were taking his picture, body temperature, brain waves, weight, height, etc., through the use of the screen. He was also told they use the screen to see outside the craft. When Armstrong was taken for a ride (or so it seemed) the screen was apparently used to show him the planet he was from (presumed to be Earth), and later, the screen seemed to be used as a teaching device.

At the beginning of his encounter, Gerry was momentarily paralyzed. *("Can't move... can't move my legs")*. Schirmer likewise suffered temporary paralysis as he approached the UFO. He feels he was struck by a ray-gun beam, although it is possible he walked into the force field which he was told the aliens use to protect the craft in the vicinity of Earth. This feeling of paralysis is also common to many UFO incidents when a close approach to the craft or occupants occurs.

During Schirmer's initial regression session with Dr. Leo Sprinkle at the University of Colorado on February 13, 1968 there was apparent mental contact between Schirmer and the being with whom he communicated during his UFO encounter. This contact seemed to prevent him from revealing everything he was told during his experience. Similarly, near the end of the first Armstrong regression session on July 19, 1978 it was apparent that Gerry was also in communication with his beings:

Q: *What do you see?*
R: *Everything.*
Q: *Tell me.*
R: *All things. They say all things... all is one. All things. Yes, they do know... all things. I understand, and I will.*
Q: *Who are you talking to?*
R: *They are here again.*

Both Schirmer and Armstrong were left with the impression that further information and understanding would be forthcoming at a later date, *"the proper time and proper place"* according to Schirmer, and *"when the moment is right"* according to Armstrong. Also Armstrong added *"But he's saying, 'later moments you'll be able to explain.'"* Schirmer felt it would be wrong to say anything else until the proper time and proper place, and even though Armstrong was told he would not forget, he was also told not to tell *("Mustn't tell." "They said not to tell")*.

Finally, when Shearer was escorted from the ship his body tingled as if from electricity. The being accompanying him also squeezed his shoulder and said they would meet again.

THE ANDREASSON AFFAIR

Another very interesting case has recently come to light which shows a startling resemblance in many ways to the incidents already described. The experiences of Betty Andreasson, as documented by Raymond E. Fowler in *The Andreasson Affair*, Prentice Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 07632 (Copyright 1979, Raymond E. Fowler and Betty Andreasson) add to the growing stockpile of evidence for the case of apparent UFO abductions. The book, which is reviewed elsewhere in this issue, goes into great detail relating the events experienced by Andreasson as revealed by regressive hypnosis.

Touching briefly on some of the similarities we note that Betty Andreasson found herself in a dome-shaped room, brilliantly lit, the illumination not coming from a source such as a light bulb but rather *"from all over the place"* (p49). Recall that Armstrong was also puzzled over a seeming lack of a light source. The beings Andreasson encountered *"were all the same kind, but one was taller than the others."* (p51) They had gray, clay-like skin, fixed, scar-like mouths, and cat-like eyes which Betty described as *"so funny."* (p32) Again, this is similar to the description given by Armstrong including the fact that one of the beings was taller than the rest. Even though she found them scary to look at she was not afraid because she sensed kindness in them. *"They are very kind and they don't mean any harm, but they are scary to look at."* (p30) *"I'm not afraid of him because there's a feeling that he's not going to hurt me."*(p32) When she did feel pain during her physical examination they *"touched the top of my head and took it away,"* (p51) the same effect that Armstrong reported.

Other similarities include the fact that Betty Andreasson heard the beings' communication in her mind, as did Schirmer and Armstrong (and many others), and that there were many domes at the place to

(see ANALYSIS, p.31)

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CONVERSATION WITH ARTHUR BRAY

Arthur Bray, a retired Navy pilot, has been researching the UFO phenomenon since the early 1950s. In 1967 he wrote and published his first book *Science, The public And The UFO - A Philosophical Study*, and has just completed his second book *The UFO Connection*, which is awaiting publication. He resides in Ottawa and teaches an evening course on Ufology at Algonquin College.

JUFO: Arthur, could you tell us exactly how you became involved in the whole UFO picture?

ARHTUR: Yes, my interest started back in 1947 or 1948 when UFOs first came to public attention. I was a navy pilot at the time and I became interested just out of curiosity because I was flying around the sky. These things were apparently flying around the sky also and I was curious as to what else was up there that I didn't know about. Now that was how I got started, and I was very skeptical that they might be from outer space and this sort of thing. I was quite skeptical originally but as time went on and I studied the subject more, my interest increased. I became more involved, and one thing led to another, and it eventually grew into an avocation really, and I've been at it ever since.

JUFO: While you were flying around up there did you ever see anything that you couldn't explain which convinced you that there was something to the phenomenon that had been reported?

ARTHUR: No, not while I was flying. I have seen some UFOs or what I consider to be UFOs, but not while I was flying. They've all been sighted from the ground.

JUFO: Could you elaborate on exactly what you saw in some of the more significant instances?

ARTHUR: Yes, one particularly interesting case was in Halifax, and it was witnessed by all of my family. We were having dinner one night, it was summertime, broad daylight, about six o'clock, and we noticed out of the window that there was this brilliant, very large white object suspended over the hills of Halifax. I should explain that we were living in Dartmouth, across the harbour, and we were on the highest point of land in the area. So we had an excellent view across Halifax Harbour and the whole city of Halifax. And here was this thing



that looked just like a street light, a brilliant white light, hanging in the sky motionless. So we rushed outside to get a better look at it. We stood there for about a minute, and then I rushed back in to get my movie camera, and just as I came out to take a picture, it shot off out over the ocean, travelled at thousands of miles an hour. I'm convinced of that because it disappeared in about a second and a half, it went that fast, right out over the sea and disappeared. That was a particularly interesting case.

And there was another daylight sighting that I had myself. A disc-shaped silver object was flying straight across the sky but weaving as it went. I watched it move about, I guess, 120 degrees of arc across the sky. I just happened to be out in my yard sunbathing at the time and I was lying out there looking up at the sky, and this thing came right across. It was definitely disc-shaped, not very high; I couldn't tell you the height, but it was very clear. There have been two or three more sightings. We had a very interesting sighting right out here one night, here on our front lawn during the late 1960's. My first impression was that it was a satellite because it looked like one, and it was moving in a straight line, as satellites do of course. But then it suddenly made a ninety degree change in direction. It was coming from the north, made a right angle turn to the west and made another ninety degree change of direction back to the north. Then it reversed itself. It didn't turn, just reversed itself, and continued on in a southerly direction, and then the light blinked off. There were no clouds in the sky so it didn't go behind the clouds. The sky was clear. You could see the moon and stars, everything. And then about twenty degrees south of where it disappeared it blinked on again and continued on in a southerly direction until it faded from sight.

Another sighting I had was out the side door one night. It was a very large, pulsating red blob of light, very low. It just appeared behind the rooftop of the house across the street, veered behind another roof, disappeared momentarily, reappeared, then disappeared behind the trees up on the hill. It was absolutely soundless, and travelling very fast, about the speed of a jet. I would estimate it couldn't have been any more than 200 feet high because of the way it came behind the rooftops and the trees. Very interesting. Very puzzling.

JUFO: In the latter incident did you ever try to get any information or evidence from the airport as to whether they picked it up on radar?

ARTHUR: No, I did not.

JUFO: Okay, throughout your navy career, I imagine it was fairly well known among the people that you were working with that you were interested in UFOs. What sort of attitudes did you run into, first of all among your fellow officers, and secondly among your seniors or your commanding officers?

ARTHUR: Well certainly for many years I was subject to a considerable amount of ridicule, but as time went on this lessened, and other people became more and more interested as more people began to realize that there really was something to the whole UFO business. Certainly I found that the number of skeptics and scoffers decreased tremendously as the years went by. But the first few years I was interested, everywhere I turned I met with ridicule. No matter who I talked to. So I got well used to being laughed at. As for my commanding officers, I would say there weren't really any problems posed there; in fact, I got co-operation from the military when I published my first book.

JUFO: Really? In what way did they co-operate?

ARTHUR: Well, for one thing I was given assistance in wording some of the things I said about the United States Air Force. If I could show that what I wrote had been previously stated by someonw else I was encouraged to quote the source. I was definitely given encouragement in this respect.

JUFO: Were you given access to any actual documented radar evidence, for instance, a record of any UFO incidents in which the Canadian Armed Forces had been involved?

ARTHUR: No, and as a matter of fact I was very careful not to obtain any military information because had I done so, I would not have been allowed to publish my book, since I had to get clearance from the military because I was serving in the navy at the time. I had to include a disclaimer in the book stating that no information had been obtained from Department of National Defence sources. So I had to be very careful.

JUFO: When you left the Armed Forces were you required to sign or swear to any sort of document that you would not reveal sources of information that you had accessed while you were in the Armed Rorces, regarding UFOs?

ARTHUR: Well, the answer is 'no' to that one.

JUFO: Okay, but as Dr.

Hynek has said the answer would be 'no' even if it were 'yes'.

ARTHUR: Yes. But with respect to obtaining data from the military for my book, I made a special point to not seek information from the Department of National Defence because I knew that my whole activity in this area would be in jeopardy if I did. I, of course, was subject to military security while in the Forces and so I had to make this effort; otherwise I would not have been able to publish my book.

JUFO: Did you hear then or have you heard since of stories, or whatever you want to call them, from people involved in the Armed Forces with whom you may have been associated, who had experiences either in sighting UFOs or being involved with documented evidence from other people who had seen UFOs or recorded them?

ARTHUR: Oh yes, I've come across many military people who have seen UFOs, and talked to them, in fact. Even while I was still in the service. But talking and listening to people describe their experiences is quite different from having access to written documentation, as you will appreciate; and certainly since I left the service I have talked to many military personnel who have had UFO experiences.

JUFO: We're always hearing via newspapers and other UFO sources that Canadian planes are, not continually, but every once in a while being scrambled to 'chase' a UFO or something that is an alleged UFO which has been detected on radar screens. Would you have any first-hand information about any of these types of activities?

ARTHUR: No, I have no first-hand information on this. The only information I have is what I have read in the literature, whether it be newspaper reports or whether it be the files of National Research Council and the various UFO publications and so forth. But I have no first-hand information on this.

JUFO: In 1950 the Canadian government was inspired to examine the UFO phenomenon in a fair amount of detail under the direction of a Department of Transport engineer named Wilbert Smith. Do you have any knowledge of this operation, whether it was a success or failure?

ARTHUR: Well, all I would care to say on this subject at the present time is that I have done considerable research into the work done by Wilbert Smith and this will be made available publicly in a new book which I have written which I hope to have published sometime soon.

JUFO: Project Magnet was the official name of this particular study; also there was a study called Project Second Storey. Was there a relationship between Project Magnet and Project Second Storey, and if so could you elaborate on that relationship?

ARTHUR: Well, even though Magnet and Second Storey were two distinct projects there was a relationship between them in that Wilbert Smith was involved in both. But Project Second Storey was a committee of military and civilian people, scientists, which was set up really to determine what action the government should take with respect to UFO sightings and the story of that will also appear in my book.

JUFO: To your knowledge was there any relationship between this Canadian study and what the United States was doing at the same time; in other words was it a co-operative type of venture?

ARTHUR: Not really. I found that there was very little co-operation between Canada and the United States. There was some, but very little, at that time.

JUFO: Has that changed, to your knowledge, recently?

ARTHUR: No, the situation hasn't changed to my knowledge. I can't really be sure of that, but to my knowledge it hasn't changed.

JUFO: The reason I asked is that one of the reports which has recently been released due to the Freedom of Information Act in the United States concerns a sighting over both American and Canadian air space where apparently a UFO was observed near the northern border of the States and it was picked up on Canadian radar. This was around the Sudbury area I believe, and apparently U.S. planes were scrambled to chase it. That is why I asked if there was any co-operation between the two countries.

ARTHUR: Yes, there is co-operation in this respect, certainly. I was overlooking that particular point. NORAD of course is a joint Canadian/U.S. air defence organization, so there is really for all practical purposes, no national border. So that if an unknown object is tracked on radar, fighters will be scrambled either in Canada or the United States or both, on instructions from NORAD.

JUFO: We hear many explanations from various scientists regarding sightings, one being the fact that radar is capable of picking up I suppose what the layperson would call mirages, and that it is sometimes pretty difficult, I understand, for an experienced operator to tell the difference between a mirage and a solid body on the scope. Now in some cases where radar tracks what apparently is a solid body going at fantastic speeds and making right angle turns, the official report is that this was a mirage, or something that really did not exist but was picked up by radar anyway, perhaps a meteorological phenomenon. When you were in the armed forces did you run into this type of thing, and did you actually see returns on radar that turned out to be non-physical objects?

ARTHUR: No, I have no personal experience with cases of that nature.

JUFO: That's interesting. We get the idea that it is a fairly common type of thing, at least from officialdom when they try to explain these things. Okay, to change the subject a little, do you have any personal opinions as to what is behind the UFO phenomenon?

ARTHUR: You're looking for theories now, are you? Well, I think there are several possible explanations. A couple come to mind immediately. Certainly, the extraterrestrial hypothesis is one possibility which may explain some UFOs. I also have come to the conclusion after many years of looking into this that some UFOs may very well originate in a parallel universe. I think the evidence is growing all the time to support that particular theory, and I deal with this aspect in my new book. I think that those are the two most likely explanations in my personal opinion. I realize that there are many other explanations as well put forth by various people, but those happen to be the two that I think are likely to account for most UFOs.

JUFO: What is it about the extraterrestrial hypothesis that leads you to believe that it may not necessarily explain UFOs?

ARTHUR: Well, I don't think it explains all UFOs. I think some UFOs can be accounted for as probably physical craft from elsewhere, but certainly there are many sightings which cannot be explained in that way due to the various circumstances surrounding many cases such as disappearance, materialization and dematerialization. I think these are more likely to be explained by a departure into a parallel universe. I think this is what has happened in some cases, and I think the evidence is very strong for this. Certainly there have been many cases going back for as long as I have been studying the subject, which involved materialization and dematerialization of UFOs, and I think we have to look somewhere other than the nuts and bolts theory to account for this, and certainly there are many aspects of parapsychology which would indicate that there is a parallel universe.

JUFO: What particular aspects of parapsychology would lead you to believe this?

ARTHUR: Well, I deal with this at great length in my new book. I'd rather leave it at that for the moment, but I would like to say simply that a great deal of work has been done by many scientists, in many different countries, over a good many years, which indicates to me that there is another existence beyond our physical existence with which we are familiar and which is undetectable by orthodox scientific methods.

JUFO: It sounds as though, by a parallel universe you really are talking about an additional dimension to our reality. This brings up another point. There are rumors, and at this point they are only rumors, about an experiment that was conducted in the States shortly after the Second World War, which was technically known as

the Philadelphia Experiment, where apparently a ship in the Philadelphia shipyards was teleported to another location, briefly, and then apparently returned. Now, this was supposedly, from my sources anyway, a technical experiment that the United States was involved with and apparently a book has just come out on the market which details this. Have you heard of this, and if so, is this the type of concept to which you are referring?

ARTHUR: Yes, I certainly have heard of it. I am quite familiar with the story, whether it is true or not, I don't know. But I have no reason to doubt it, quite frankly. It wouldn't surprise me if it were true. I have not seen the book yet, but I have heard it was coming out very shortly. This is the kind of thing which supports the possible existence of another reality, another dimension, a parallel universe or whatever you want to call it.

JUFO: Okay, so really it isn't a parallel universe per se, one that exists or co-exists along with us, it is really another dimension to our concept of reality with which we are not familiar yet, and haven't really examined. To me, a parallel universe implies another life or another whole series of existences occurring alongside ours, whereas the Philadelphia Experiment, if in fact there is anything to it, implies that there is, let's say, an added dimension to our reality. Now, be that as it may, we've also run into, in studying the UFO phenomenon, people who claim to have had contact with other intelligences. The common feeling among most of the public regarding these contacts is that these other intelligent entities are beings from other planets. I take it then that you are just as prone to believe that we are possibly dealing with entities from this additional dimension rather than from, let's say, a few hundred or thousand light years across our own galaxy.

ARTHUR: Yes, I think we're essentially saying the same thing, except that I think perhaps we put slightly different interpretations on the terminology, with respect to parallel universe and so forth. Certainly with respect to a parallel universe I mean another universe which co-exists with ours and which interpenetrates ours, undetectable by normal scientific means and that this may be where some UFOs do originate. That is what I mean by a parallel universe. Now there could very well be a relationship between the Philadelphia Experiment and this, I don't know for sure because I don't know enough about the Philadelphia Experiment. I haven't got enough facts on the case. It will be interesting to see this new book, to see what new facts are brought out as to what really was the purpose behind it and what did in fact happen.

JUFO: Getting back to your involvement with the armed forces, Leonard Stringfield recently came up with a revelation that seemed to echo and expand what a Professor Carr had said a few years beforehand, that he has had a lot of sources, some second-hand some first-hand concerning crashed UFOs in the States being recovered, and in some cases aliens even being recovered, and apparently, these things are reportedly hidden at various Air Force bases in the States. Do you have any comment on this?

ARTHUR: Yes, this is excellent work that Stringfield is doing, and I realize the difficulties he must be having in this particular kind of research. I personally suspect that there may very well be something to this, as far out as it may seem. I know there are many arguments against the possibility of these crashes, especially so many. However, I think it is quite significant that in all cases the people insist on complete anonimity and this is important because to me it rules out hoaxes. A person who is just seeking publicity identifies himself because publicity is of no value if he is not identified. It does nobody any good. I really feel that these may be factual cases that are being reported to Stringfield by people who are still under an oath of secrecy in the United States. They don't dare identify themselves because of the trouble they would get into if they do. So they are willing to speak out provided they are guaranteed anonimity, and I certainly hope that Stringfield continues on with this research because it has interesting possibilities.

JUFO: As you mentioned, some of the claims seem really outlandish to the general public, and if we go back a few years we run into another chap called Adamski who also made some really outlandish claims. Now it has been speculated by some researchers that Adamski was planted merely for the purpose of coming out with such claims and that because of this the general public wouldn't give any credence to any UFO reports. Suspicions have now been aroused that the same type of thing is being done with Stringfield. Do you think there is any possibility that Stringfield's sources have likewise been planted for this purpose?

ARTHUR: The possibility is always there, of course, but I have a gut feeling that this is not the case. Partly, I feel this way because of many of the things I have come across over a period of thirty years; many things which are very difficult to put your finger on. People I have talked to, things I have read. When you weigh all of the evidence together rather than single reports I think there is a distinct possibility that this is really happening, that it is not just a question of people being planted to discredit the whole thing.

JUFO: Of course, the other thing that comes to mind is that if people are being planted to discredit the whole thing why are they being planted? It would seem that if they wanted to discredit the whole UFO picture they are going about it in a very backward way, as if they are trying to cover up something else which may be even more significant, more astounding than the UFO phenomenon itself, and really the only thing that comes to my mind would be the fact that the United States or some other power has been working on developing some craft of its own that will behave in the way that many UFOs are reported to behave, defying the laws of gravity for instance, and the UFO picture itself would be a perfect cover-up for this. Do you understand what I mean?

ARTHUR: Yes I do. It is a good question. What would be the reason behind such attempts? I don't know that I can answer this in any adequate way, Dave. Again the possibility exists that this is happening. It may well be an attempt by the U.S. government to discredit people because they are covering up something bigger. I just don't know, frankly. I realize that one shouldn't base one's thinking on any gut feeling, this is very unscientific, but again I put together many little incidents that have occurred over a great many years, many types of evidence which I can't really elaborate on now, but it is the sort of thing that leads one to adopt certain views over a long period of time. Frankly, I personally don't think it is a cover-up of this type on the part of the government. There is a cover-up as far as UFO evidence is concerned, I am convinced of this, but I do not think that the stories of crashed saucers and so forth is an attempt to discredit people.

JUFO: Of course, another thing that would tend to support that is the fact that UFOs are seen and reported all over the world, and it's well-known that the Russians are also in the thick of UFO investigation themselves, and that they're involved in their own sightings, and as far as we can determine, their own cover-up of information. You've been involved in UFO investigation and research for thirty years. Over that period have you detected any trend toward acceptance of the fact that UFOs exist?

ARTHUR: On the part of whom, Dave?

JUFO: Perhaps on the part of the public I suppose. It is more speculative to talk about trends on the part of governments, although I suppose that the recent French government study and the results from it might be something you might want to comment on.

ARTHUR: Certainly as far as the public is concerned there is no doubt in my mind that an increasing proportion of them are now quite prepared to accept that we may be being visited by aliens from somewhere else, this somewhere else not necessarily having to be a physical somewhere else, but somewhere else. This trend has continued over the years, and certainly gallup polls can confirm this. The majority of people now are believers in the reality of UFOs and the theory that they may very well be spacecraft. I think the French study is particul-

arly interesting. It has gone further than most studies in other countries and this indicates a particular interest on the part of the French government, and I hope that the complete study will be released very soon, publicly.

JUFO: Do you think this is merely just the French government's attitude? About ten years ago the Condon committee drew their conclusions which I think most people who are familiar with UFOs and UFO research realize was just a whitewash, and that seemed to be the general attitude of most governments across the world at that time. The reason I asked about a tendency over the last few years is that I don't think the French government study itself had anything more significant to work with in the way of evidence, and yet its study has proved positive, in fact their conclusions are that UFOs do exist and do represent a "flying machine.. whose modes of sustenance and propulsion are beyond our knowledge." Now there is no reason why the Condon committee could not have come up with that conclusion if they had wanted because they had practically the same type of evidence to work with. Do you detect or do you suspect some sort of trend or even some sort of planned trend on the part of world governments in this direction?

ARTHUR: Yes, I think do detect this. I think France is to be commended in this respect for the attitude they have adopted. I also suspect that the American government is changing its attitude very slowly, but very subtly. For example, there is a new TV movie to be released very shortly. I can't recall the name of it but it is a documentary which is being produced with the full co-operation of the United States government. I understand that it is pro UFO, a very positive film, and if it was in fact produced with the full co-operation of the U.S. government as I am told it was, then this represents a significant step on the part of the American government. It would indicate that they may be engaged upon a campaign to educate the public, rather than coming out with a sudden announcement that UFOs are real. I feel that they want to educate the public on a gradual basis. This is what it indicates to me.

JUFO: In other words it is a psychological 'warming-up' of the American public which is ironic in a way because I think that this has been in progress in a very subtle way during the last ten to fifteen years anyway. If what you suggest is true, it now appears that the government is prepared to put their official stamp of approval on it. Okay, what do you see as your involvement in UFO research, assuming that you are going to continue, in the near future?

ARTHUR: Well, I consider my personal involvement to be mainly as an educational one. I think my main thrust over the years has been trying to educate the public concerning the facts of UFOs. This was the purpose of my first book, to bring the facts to the attention of the public. I accepted an invitation to present a course at Algonquin College on this basis because I felt that this was an opportunity to educate the public concerning the facts, and I have always taken this approach with respect to all the media as well. I think that one of the biggest difficulties that ufologists face is the lack of knowledge on the part of the general public, and I think that once the general public is more knowledgeable on the subject research will become much easier. It will be much easier to obtain sighting reports which are now so difficult to obtain because people are afraid of ridicule. Also they don't know where to report in many cases. Governments are covering up but I think if enough people know the facts about UFOs, then more pressure can be put on the governments to release their information. So again, my thrust has mainly been an educational one, and I think for the forseeable future it will continue in that way.

JUFO: So unwittingly or not, you seem to be playing a part in the psychological conversion of the public to an acceptable attitude toward the UFO. And this, if we stand back and look at it from a distance, would tend to support some of the claims that Jacques Vallee has been proposing over the last few years, that in some way, which is not clear right now, there is some sort of control factor which has its hand in the UFO picture. It's well

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UFO AUTHORITIES AND GRENADA URGE THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION TO STUDY UFO REPORTS AND THE UFO PHENOMENON - But What Happens Next?

This article is based partly on UN Official Records. The views and suggestions of the UFO authorities who spoke to the General Assembly's Special Political Committee (SPC) are summarized in the summary records of the SPC's meetings on November 27 and December 8, 1978(see UN documents A/SPC/33/SR.35, A/SPC/33/SR.36 and A/SPC/33/SR.47, also UN Press Release GA/5942, 5 February 1979, p. 157). The major presentations to the SPC and some background and analysis of this event appeared in *International UFO Reporter*, Vol. 3 (No. 10/11, Oct./Nov. 1978), which is the source for some of the quotations in this article.

An important milestone in the history of presenting the case for increased international scientific research about UFO reports and the UFO phenomenon occurred at the United Nations in New York late last year. On December 18, 1978 the UN General Assembly adopted, without a vote, a recommendation from its Special Political Committee (SPC) to undertake what could be described as an exploratory role to encourage and to ascertain information, on a national level, about coordinated scientific research into extraterrestrial life, including UFOs. The SPC heard a diverse oral (and film) presentation about UFOs on November 27th and on December 8, 1978 adopted by consensus a draft resolution to recommend to the General Assembly that it (1) *"invites interested Member States to take appropriate steps to co-ordinate on a national level scientific research and investigation into extraterrestrial life, including unidentified flying objects, and to inform the Secretary-General of the observations, research and evaluation of such activities;"* (2) *"requests the Secretary-General to transmit the statements of the delegation of Grenada (which had promoted a UN UFO study) and the relevant documentation to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, so that it may consider them at its 1979 meeting;"* and (3) that this *"Committee's deliberations (about this documentation, and after a presentation, if requested, by Grenada) will be included in its report which will be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session"* (late in 1979). These are the substantive aspects of the General Assembly's decision. No government of other UN member states had openly supported Grenada's proposal, advanced each year since 1975, for the General Assembly to discuss and act positively about the *"establishment of an agency or a department of the United Nations for undertaking, co-ordinating and disseminating the results of research into unidentified flying objects and related phenomena."*

The historic presentation about UFOs on November 27, 1978, began with Grenada's then prime minister, Sir Eric Gairy, telling the UN SPC that the UFO phenomenon *"was evident everywhere on earth and was causing serious concern, not only to national Governments and scientists, but also to ordinary men and women, especially younger and better educated people who were yearning for sensible explanations of the phenomenon from those in a position to provide the answers."*

Grenada then introduced a draft resolution (A/SPC/L.20) for the SPC's consideration. (The text of the draft resolution's preamble referred to the General Assembly's *"commitment to promote international co-operation in solving international problems,"* also the growing interest in UFOs among the world's peoples. This draft resolution, if it had been adopted by the SPC, would have urged the General Assembly to recommend that the United Nations *"initiate, conduct and co-ordinate research*

into the nature and origin of Unidentified Flying Objects and related Phenomena," and request the Secretary-General to invite UN *"Member States, specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations to transmit to him by 31 May 1979 information and proposals which would facilitate the proposed study."* Also, the Secretary-General would be requested *"to appoint...a three-member group of experts under the aegis of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, for the purpose of defining guidelines for the proposed study."* The draft resolution's last three paragraphs proposed that the General Assembly decide to have the three member expert group meet during the sessions of, and work through the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and report through it to the General Assembly.) Several well-known persons associated with UFO research and reports then spoke to the SPC as part of Grenada's delegation.

Dr. J. Allen Hynek, now full-time director of the Center for UFO studies in Evanston, Illinois and recently retired professor of astronomy at Northwestern University, described UFOs as *"a phenomenon so strange and foreign to our daily terrestrial mode of thought that it is frequently met by ridicule and derision by persons and organizations unacquainted with the facts."* Noting that *"in the popular mind the UFO phenomenon is associated with the concept of extra-terrestrial intelligence and this might yet prove to be correct in some context,"* he stated that *"UFO reports have been assembled from 133 different countries"* and *"in significant numbers have been made by highly responsible persons."* The thousands of UFO reports on record *"include extremely intriguing and provocative accounts of strange events experienced by highly reputable persons . . . events which challenge our present conception of the world about us and which may indeed signal a need for a change in some of these concepts."* (This point had been noted in a 1974 radio broadcast by the French defense minister who stressed *"the importance of investigating the truly unknown."*)

Referring in particular to evidence from the more than 1300 reports of close encounters of the second kind (physical trace cases) on record Dr. Hynek said that *"any phenomenon which touches the lives of so many people and which engenders puzzlement and even fear among them, is therefore not only of potential scientific interest and significance but also of sociological and political significance, especially since it carries with it many implications of the existence of intelligences other than our own."* Interestingly, he referred to the *"growing community of scientists from many countries (especially France and the U.S.) who have declared an interest, either privately or openly, in pursuing the challenge presented by the UFO problem and who are gathering and analyzing the relevant data."* Further, *"there is a surprisingly large number of individual scientists who have expressed to me, privately and personally,"* Dr. Hynek said, *"their involved concern with the challenge of the UFO phenomenon and who entertain opinions consistent with"* the conclusions of the French report that *"most of the cases carefully studied...involved a material phenomenon that could not be explained as a natural phenomenon or a human device."* (This was his understanding of the major conclusion of a recent scientific study on UFOs sponsored by the French government and undertaken by a diverse group of scientists.)

Dr. Hynek stressed that the scientists and other specialists actively studying the UFO phenomenon collectively *"possess information and results which, in my opinion, are important and should be shared with their colleagues elsewhere,"* but they *"have no means by which they can share the results of their researches with other workers, or pool them for the benefit of others as is standard practice in scientific matters."* He also emphasized that he was *"not asking that the United Nations organization create its own commission to conduct researches into the UFO field, but merely to provide a means whereby work and investigations already carried out and accomplished by scientists in their own countries could be expeditiously disseminated to their colleagues in other countries,"* also to be able to meet to know each other and to *"interchange their ideas and their investigative work with colleagues in other member nations."* *"Data of high potential significance to science and the world is continually being lost for lack of a means to prevent its loss,"* he added.

The UFO phenomenon *"has aroused the concern, and often the fear, of significant fractions"* of populations in the 133 countries in which UFO sightings (or experiences) had been reported, including in those countries represented on the SPC, Dr. Hynek observed. Also, it *"has great possible sociological and political implications, as well as scientific potential." "The creation of a mechanism within the United Nations to facilitate the exchange of UFO reports and studies made in various Member States will...hasten the day when,"* he said, his opinion, *"as a scientist who has devoted many years to its study, that the UFO phenomenon is real and...has both grave and important implications for science and for the political and social well-being of the peoples of this Earth" "will be translated into firm scientific knowledge."* The UFO phenomenon appears to reflect *"the action of some form of intelligence,"* and *"a serious concerted approach* (is needed) *to this most outstanding challenge to current science."*

Dr. Jacques F. Vallee, an astrophysicist and computer expert who is associated with several research institutions, opened his remarks to the SPC by observing that new knowledge commonly triggers *"emotional reactions with far-reaching cultural and political effects,"* that *"new beliefs are born out of this confrontation"* and that *"the frequent reporting"* of UFOs *"presents an opportunity to observe both of these processes."* The UFO phenomenon, he said, has three aspects: (1) *"a physical manifestation that can and should be investigated through already available scientific equipment;"* (2) *"psycho-physiological"* aspects (such as *"disorientation symptoms,"* etc.) and in particular (3) *"the social belief system....generated* (widely)*...by the expectation of space visitors,"* which *"has been nurtured by the lack of serious attention given to genuine reports of UFOs."*

He also stressed his conclusions, from long personal study, about the UFO phenomenon's social effects. First, *"the belief in space visitors is independent of the physical reality of the UFO phenomenon."* Secondly, *"the belief in the imminence of UFO 'Contact' is an indication of a widening gap between the public and science."* Thirdly, *"in the absence of serious, unbiased research...the belief in the imminence of UFO 'Contact' undermined the image of Man as a master of his own destiny"* and the arguments, unproven though deserving of serious study, *"that the earth had been visited by space travellers in prehistoric times" "encourages passive expectation of another visit by friendly space creatures to solve current human problems."* Moreover, Dr. Vallee said that these arguments are *"leading many people to suggest that the great achievements of mankind would have been impossible without celestial intervention."* Fourthly, *"the expectation of contact with space visitors promotes the concept of political unification of our planet"* and *"a strong and beautiful yearning for global peace is expressing itself."* Nonetheless, *"whether this becomes a factor for positive or negative social change will depend on the way in which these emotions are treated and on the seriousness with which the underlying physical phenomenon is investigated."* Dr. Vallee concluded his remarks to the SPC by saying that scientists he knows who are studying the UFO enigma *"would welcome an opportunity to share their data and their ideas within any* (UN) *structure that could be available for this purpose."*

Varying views about the nature of UFO reports and about the implications of the UFO phenomenon were evident in the other presentations to the SPC. Lieutenant Col. Larry Coyne, a U.S. military officer who appeared before the SPC in a private capacity, urged the committee to realize that incidents like that on October 18, 1973, involving a U.S. Army utility helicopter in which he was the pilot in command, were due to real objects *"and these types of incidents should require a thorough investigation."* The SPC then agreed to Grenada's request to show *"a documentary film, prepared especially for the Committee."* Dr. Hynek provided a narration for the delegates. In the afternoon session on November 27th a letter read to the SPC from former U.S. astronaut Gordon Cooper expressed the belief that UFOs are *"extra-*

terrestrial vehicles" visiting Earth from more technically advanced planets. (Cooper had been invited to address the SPC but at the last minute was unable to be present.) He urged *"a top level co-ordinated programme to scientifically collect and analyze data from all over the earth concerning any type of encounter, and to determine how best to interface with these visitors in a friendly fashion."* It was quite appropriate to tell a United Nations committee that *"we* (i.e., mankind) *may first have to show them that we have learned to resolve our problems by peaceful means, rather than warfare, before we are accepted as fully qualified universal team members."* He added that *"this acceptance would have tremendous possibilities of advancing our world in all areas,"* and *"certainly then it would seem that the United Nations has a vested interest in handling this subject properly and expeditiously."* The few astronauts who have continued some participation in the UFO field have done so very cautiously, he said, because use of their names had sometimes been abused.

Stanton Friedman, a nuclear physicist and well-known UFO researcher and speaker, told the delegates that people throughout the world are all *"earthlings"* and *"that there was overwhelming evidence to suggest that the planet was being visited by intelligently controlled extraterrestrial vehicles."* Noting the ability of UFOs *"to move and manoeuvre at thousands of miles an hour,"* he speculated on extraterrestrials' motives for interest in *"a primitive society"* which, from an alien viewpoint, had no central political unit and *"whose major activity was tribal warfare."* Taking *"an earthling orientation,"* he said, could assist man's trying *"to see himself as others* (i.e., aliens) *saw him,"* and this might help to promote *"man's very survival."* There are *"no boundary lines" "from up above"* when approaching planet Earth. Mr. Friedman also suggested that if UFOs are extraterrestrial then their solutions to the important questions of peace, survival, energy and hunger could benefit mankind.

The presentations to the SPC partly reflected the diversity of viewpoints about the UFO phenomenon and the significance and cause(s) of UFO reports. Different views may also exist on an unofficial level among UN members as to any appropriate or useful UN action about the UFO puzzle. Before the Special Political Committee's meeting on December 8, 1978, Grenada's delegation realized that their draft resolution proposing a major UN UFO study would not be adopted due to the absence, it seemed, of support from SPC members. Therefore, Grenada decided not to press for a vote on it but instead was then able to secure support for the decision finally adopted by consensus which, Grenada felt, *"proposed the official adoption of provisional measures to permit future discussion of the item* (embodied in Grenada's withdrawn draft resolution) *in a manner considered satisfactory by all Member States."*

The decision of the SPC, adopted by the General Assembly, represented a typical UN compromise which occurs in situations when the governments of UN member states do not want to commit themselves - especially on controversial issues - but at the same time wish to avoid offending a small new member. Thus, there is little significance to this UN decision to date and there likely will be even less as the new government of Grenada is not expected to promote a UN study of UFOs which the toppled Sir Eric Gairy did when he was the country's prime minister.

On the other hand, hopefully, this year may witness some real progress through the subject's referral to the General Assembly's Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. We must wait and see. However, if this proves to be unproductive, another approach would be to have the subject of the UFO enigma referred to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), one of the specialized agencies which form part of the UN family or system. This would seem quite appropriate as two of UNESCO's three functions prescribed in its constitution are (a) to *"collaborate in the work of advancing the mutual knowledge and understanding of peoples...and...to promote the free flow of ideas by word and image,"* ... and (c) to *"maintain, increase and diffuse knowledge...By encouraging co-operation among the nations in all branches of intellectual activity, including the international exchange of persons active in the fields of education, science and culture and the exchange of publications, objects of artistic and scientific interest and other materials of information;* (and) *By initiating methods of international co-operation calculated to give the people of all countries access to the printed and published materials produced by any of them."*

This suggestion to refer the UFO subject for study by and/or through UNESCO is consistent with the specific suggestions which Dr. Hynek and Dr. Vallee made to the SPC. Both urged it to facilitate the exchange of information about UFO reports and to enable interchanges between scientists and others familiar with the UFO phenomenon. Such an approach might not be unacceptable to many UN members, including the United States and other influential countries, and therefore capable of being achieved. It would not commit any UN member government to a position on a controversial subject and would involve only very small costs. Another suggestion is for major UFO groups to investigate the possibility of their securing consultative arrangements with UNESCO as international non-governmental organizations (NGOs) active in a field of research relevant to the general aspects of UNESCO's functions. If such status were secured it could enable several possible developments which would assist in the promotion of scientific UFO research, e.g., some support for documentation, special studies and participation in conferences. Also, UNESCO occasionally delegates some of its tasks to NGO specialists and scholars to undertake enquiries on numerous topics of concern to member nations of UNESCO. Scientists and others who are convinced that the UFO enigma is worthy of a major international scientific study would then have new forums - and some supporting assistance - for their attempts to convince others.

Even if the UN were to undertake a major UFO study we should learn the lessons from the continuing collective failure of mankind - i.e., of the world's governments acting through the United Nations system, other international mechanisms and intergovernmental forums (such as the Commonwealth of Nations) - to resolve such major world problems as, for example, hunger, human rights, refugees and the arms race. This experience should suggest little room for optimism regarding the UN's ability to reach definitive conclusions about the UFO enigma, especially in light of the nature of the evidence in support of most UFO reports. Moreover, the UN may be unlikely to agree on implications about the nature of the complex UFO phenomenon. In any event, the problems posed for the world's peoples and governments by the unexplained and perhaps unexplainable component of UFO reports may or may not be as important as the above and numerous other, seemingly intractable international problems.

A UN sponsored UFO study might be able to reach definitive conclusions if it is well set up as regards its terms of reference, principal researchers, their methodology, resources and integrety to pursue investigation and research thoroughly and with complete independence. This appears to have been true of the UFO research study sponsored by the French government, and that group's voluminous report received a favourable review from an independent and interdisciplinary panel of scientists.

The task at hand, however, is to get a beginning for a systematic UN sponsored study of UFO reports and of the UFO phenomenon. To accomplish this would first require a significant measure of public and political (i.e., government) support in a few influential countries and then some concerted national leadership to promote and ensure international action under UN or other international auspices. Recognition that the UFO phenomenon and the unexplained nature of many UFO reports, especially those with *"high strangeness,"* constitute an international *problem* will only occur as a result of a political decision by governments that this is so. Such a bold declaration is unlikely to be forthcoming, regardless of how many more reputable scientists in different countries study and then state that both are real and important and that genuinely unexplained UFO reports represent a puzzle to science and potential significance if the puzzle is (some would say can be) solved. Perhaps the efforts of serious students of the UFO subject would

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ONTARIO NOCTURNAL LIGHTS

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NESTLETON

At about 7:15 on the evening of November 1, 1978, a teenaged girl was out jogging in a field beside her home near Nestleton, Ontario. Nestleton is about 25 miles south-east of Lake Simcoe and 30 miles north-east of Toronto. She was startled to see what appeared to be two lights on either end of a dark, undefined object at about a 30 degree elevation above an adjacent field.

She stopped jogging to look more closely at the object, and as she did it started to move on an angle toward the east, passing over some nearby trees. She ran back to the house to call her brother out to look at the object which both of them described as being perfectly silent. Since it was so close to them and appeared to be completely unidentifiable, they ran back into the house and locked all the doors, watching the object from their window for about fifteen minutes as it alternately hovered and moved slowly in an easterly direction. It eventually disappeared behind some trees about a quarter of a mile away, appearing to have landed.

At 7:45 their parents arrived home, but were in a hurry preparing for the evening's activities. They were surprised to find the doors locked, but didn't pay too much attention to the reason given. Since they lived in a farming community the family usually left their doors unlocked.

At a couple of minutes to eight the girl and her brother, now feeling a little bolder, left the house to walk up the highway to see if they could spot the object at the location at which it had appeared to descend. A couple of minutes later their mother left in the car in the opposite direction to go to a meeting in nearby Blackstock. At about 8:05 PM the two teenagers saw the object appear from the general area in which it had disappeared north of the highway. They watched it as it passed at not too high an altitude immediately overhead, crossed the highway and curved around toward Blackstock. As it passed overhead they distinctly heard a dull whirring sound coming from the object which they could now see clearly and described as an elongated dark shape with a red light on each end, one of them flashing on and off.

Meanwhile, between 8:05 PM and 8:10 PM their mother noticed a strange object in the sky from her car just before reaching Blackstock. She pulled off the road to watch it, reporting that it had characteristics identical to those described by her children. She watched it slowly recede in a SE direction until it became just a point in the sky. Its location from her car corresponded to that related by her children at the same time. Weather conditions that evening were clear, cool and calm.

The teenagers' parents regretted that they hadn't paid more attention to what their children had tried to tell them when they arrived home, but they were too busy preparing for their evening's activities and only half paid attention. It was only when the mother saw the strange object while driving into Blackstock that she recalled some of what her children had related. She also realized that they must have been really frightened at the time in order for them to have locked all the doors.

The next day she made sure to get all the details and had each of her children individually draw what they had seen. They both drew an object with characteristics similar to the one she had seen (see Fig. 1) and realized that the time and position of their second sighting coincided exactly with their mother's.

The following day when she was trying to determine how to report the incident she heard me talking about UFOs on a radio program and was able to get in touch with me at the station. On November 5th I went out to interview the witnesses. I was impressed with the definite description of the object and its behavior I received from both the boy and girl, who were interviewed separately, and although each was a little shy at first, both eventually described the event in almost identical detail, the only difference being that one of them drew a slightly 'fatter' object than the other. This was probably due to their having different abilities when it came to representing perspective on paper.

Further corroborative testimony was provided by a farmer and his daughter whose farm is just to the NE of the area where the object was reported to have apparently landed. They were completely unaware of the sighting reported by the previous family, who hadn't mentioned the incident to anyone in the area for fear of ridicule. The time, direction, and characteristics described by the pair who were on their way from their barn to their house when they saw the object corresponded to those reported by the teenagers and their mother. A search of the area for physical traces of a landing proved negative.

Nestleton is about 20 miles ENE of the area of the sighting reported by Mr. A, described in the first issue of *Journal UFO* (pg. 22). As in that case, we have been unsuccessful in identifying what the witnesses saw.

WIARTON

During late November of 1978, the Bruce Peninsula was the site of one of those frustrating UFO cases which occasionally occur seemingly merely to aggravate the witnesses and the investigators. This particular incident also serves to reflect the indifference of officialdom, an attitude which can be, and often is, misinterpreted by some as smelling of a "cover-up".

For this reason I shall not only detail the UFO sighting itself, as reported by its several witnesses, but shall also attempt to describe, as best as I have been able to ascertain, the involvement of no less than three police detachments in the investigation.

The witness, Brenda Nicol of Wiarton, described what happened in her own words: "On November 20, 1978 at 6:35 PM I left my house for the town of Wiarton. About half a mile from home I noticed a bright orange-red light in the sky. I didn't pay much attention to it at first, thinking it was an airplane, but I kept seeing it out the corner of my eye and thought it awfully bright and big to be a light from a normal aircraft. It was travelling from east to west at first, then turned to a northerly direction over Issac or Sky Lake, and seemed to be descending. I stopped at this point to pay more attention, but didn't see it again until about three quarters of a mile further down the road on my left again. I thought it so unusual that I stopped my car on the east side of Pike River to watch it, because it seemed to be not moving. It was moving, but unusually slowly, I thought, for the size of the light. I thought that a big jumbo at that height would move along at that pace, but the size left me wondering. Thinking it had to be an airplane, I continued on to Wiarton to pick up my son from his hockey practice. The time was now about 6:50 PM.

Upon heading home at about 7:05 PM I said to my son, Terry, who is twelve, "Keep your eyes open for a red light in the sky." He replied, "What is it?" I said, "I don't know, just look," and after a couple of minutes he yelled, "There it is!"

Sure enough, there it was again. Just a few seconds later it turned white and then glowed a blue colour. We then lost sight of it in the tree line. It reappeared when we passed that section of trees, but as the orange-red light again. As we approached Pike River again, I noticed another vehicle stopped. It was now about 7:15 PM. He appeared to be

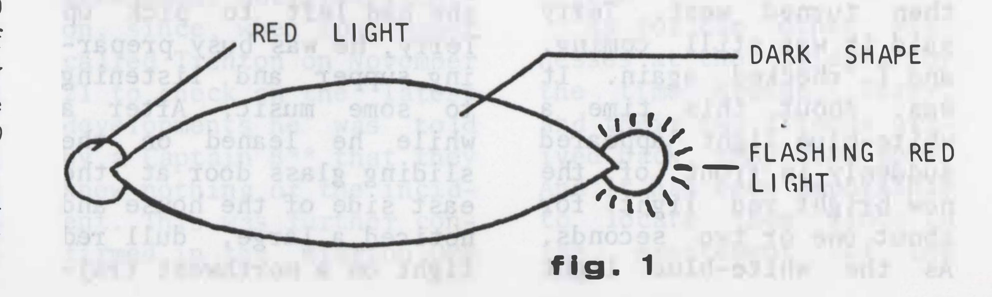


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watching what we were so I crossed over the bridge and parked.

The light was now on the south side of the road and appeared as first one, then two bright red lights about half a mile up and away. I turned off my radio, heater fan and engine thinking it was close enough to hear, but there was no sound. In the meantime the other vehicle parked in front of me. Three people came out of it and crossed the road to watch. I jumped out of my car and asked, "You watching that thing, too?" The lights flew in a circular direction across the highway still keeping the same distance. Now on the north side of the road, the two lights were descending and heading right for us. I remember the man and two young teenagers rushing to this side of the road, the man saying, "that's no airplane, the lights should be flashing!" I was frightened and said, "Come on, Terry. We're going to contact the authorities." With that, we left the thing still coming. One of the other boys said, "Let's go get John -?-", as I was getting into the car.

We turned off the highway about 300 feet up the road, and were heading north. Terry said the now orange-red light was following us. Sure enough, it was there again. We travelled in this direction for about half a mile, and then turned west. Terry said it was still coming, and I checked again. It was. About this time a white-blue light appeared suddenly in front of the now bright red light for about one or two seconds. As the white-blue light disappeared, Terry yelled, "It's coming at us, mom." I kept going and thought, "I've got to get someone who knows me or they won't believe me." This all happened in another half mile stretch of road.

I then stopped at a friend's house another half mile up the road. My two friends jumped into my car and we went back to Pike River where, to the south, they too saw the orange-red light. At this point it seemed to disappear in the trees where Pike River meets Boat Lake. The time was now about 7:30 PM.

The orange-red light was very comparable in colour to that of the tail lights of a car or a radio beacon. We couldn't make out the shape of anything except when it was coming at us. At this time I vaguely remember a shape between and above the lights. One of my two friends had also seen the orange-red ball-shaped light on her way home from Wiarton about 6:30 PM.

I remember that when the lights were coming at us I thought it might crash, as it was getting so close to the house. I also thought that it must have manoeuvered in an unusual way for it to get back up in the sky in the amount of time it had to follow us."

An "object" similar to that described by Brenda and friends was seen by Tony Hamer who lives at home with Brenda. After she had left to pick up Terry, he was busy preparing supper and listening to some music. After a while he leaned on the sliding glass door at the east side of the house and noticed a large, dull red light on a northwest trajectory. He estimated it to be about a half a mile away, at a low altitude because it travelled a course about two feet below the top of a nearby cedar tree, but above some 50 foot trees which are about 150 yards beyond the cedar. Unfortunately, this would still not be of help in determining the distance, unless the actual size of the "object" were known. He watched it for an unknown length of time until he lost sight of it as it appeared to near the area of Red Bay. He could not distinguish a shape around the light, or a change in speed, course or altitude. He also turned off the radio, but could hear no noise from the "object." The evening was very still and quiet.

He didn't think too much of the incident until Brenda and Terry arrived home with their story, and then he concluded that he had seen the same thing. There is no proof, of course, that it was the same thing, but the coincidence is provoking, although Tony admitted seeing no colour or course change. He immediately climbed into the car, but all they saw about half an hour later was a small plane which *droned noisily* on its way in a northerly direction toward Wiarton.

When they arrived home again Brenda telephoned the Wiarton Airport, but there was no answer. She then contacted the Owen Sound OPP and told them the story, talking with a woman dispatcher for ten to fifteen minutes. She was told that the Wiarton detachment of the OPP would be contacted. Brenda then notified the Wiarton Town Police of the sighting, and they suggested she call back in an hour to see if they had been able to determine what it was she had seen. When she did call back she was informed that the Owen Sound OPP had been notified by them, and that they (Owen Sound OPP) had called Canadian Forces Base Trenton to handle the case. Brenda asked if anyone else had reported the UFO and was told that Owen Sound OPP had had several other calls. Naturally, she felt somewhat relieved.

So far, even though three police detachments were involved, the investigation seemed to be progressing satisfactorily. But then confusion set in. The next day Brenda called the Owen Sound OPP to see how things were progressing only to be told that there was no record of Trenton being called, unless the Wiarton OPP had called them since her report was probably transferred to Wiarton. She then called the Wiarton OPP who confirmed that her report had been transferred to them by Owen Sound but denied that Trenton had been called, and also informed her that she was the only person to have reported the UFO. They did affirm that Wiarton OPP Constable N** had investigated the area of the sighting, but with negative results.

Brenda, obviously upset at these developments, went to the Wiarton <u>Town</u> Police that evening to inquire further, and saw a copy of the report which stated that "OPP Owen Sound notified, who confirmed similar calls and who in turn notified the Trenton Air Force Base who took over the investigation." We have since received a copy of the *General Occurrence Report* from the Wiarton Town Police, which does indeed contain this statement.

We have also obtained a copy of the report of the investigation conducted by the Wiarton OPP from the Constable involved, not Constable N**, as Brenda was informed, but Constable B**. He stated as follows:

"On November 20, 1978 at approximately 8:50 PM, I was advised by Owen Sound OPP radio dispatcher, (male name given), that he had received a phone call *from the Wiarton Police Department* reporting a UFO sighting in the area of Boat Lake. It would seem that the original female Owen Sound dispatcher Brenda spoke with did not report the incident to Wiarton OPP. It was not passed on to the Wiarton OPP until the Wiarton <u>Town</u> Police notified the Owen Sound OPP, sparked by Brenda's call to them <u>after</u> she spoke to the female dispatcher in Owen Sound. Confusing? Recall the wording of the Wiarton <u>Town</u> Police report: "OPP Owen Sound notified, *who confirmed similar calls.*" The similar calls must have been the original call Brenda made to Owen Sound. (We could not confirm this since Owen Sound OPP did not respond to our request for further information on this case.) It also appears that neither detachment notified Trenton, since, when Tony Hamer called Trenton on November 21 to check on the latest developments he was told by a Captain B** that they knew nothing of the incident. This was further confirmed in the Wiarton OPP report from Constable B** who wrote "Owen Sound OPP has no record of having called Trenton but somehow they were called by someone because a Cpl. B** (should read Captain B**) from Trenton called our office November 21st to get the results of our observations."

And what were those results? Constable B**'s report concludes: "I proceeded to Boat Lake and made a complete circuit of the lake. I did not observe anything out of the ordinary. I then advised Owen Sound OPP of this. Later in the evening, I contacted Wiarton Airport. They advised me they did not have radar and that they had not received any UFO report."

Of course they hadn't. Brenda received no answer when she called. And obviously, by the time Constable B** was notified of the incident, the light or object or whatever it was, had long since disappeared. Perhaps if Brenda had called the authorities when she first arrived at her friends' house, as she had originally intended, it might have been different, but all she could think of at the moment was to get someone else to see what it was she and her son had seen. I somehow doubt that it would have made much difference anyhow, since it took about 50 minutes for her sighting report to eventually filter through to Constable B**.

As for the other witnesses at the bridge, by the time Brenda, Terry, and their two friends arrived back, they were gone. And it has been impossible to locate them since in the excitement of the

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moment Brenda didn't get their names or the licence number of the Jeep-like vehicle they were driving.

A week following the incident, Brenda heard of our organization and contacted me. (Luckily I was in Owen Sound at the time being interviewed on the local radio station). In the course of following up the case I talked with Captain B** at Trenton, but he could not throw any additional light on what had happened. After checking with Ottawa he informed me that "all reported UFO incidents are filed in the non-meteoritic files at NRC's Dept. of Planetary Sciences," something most Canadian UFO researchers already know. When I was in Ottawa in June of this year I checked these files. Brenda Nicol's sighting had not been recorded, at least, not in those files.

PRIMROSE

The third in this series of strangely behaving nocturnal lights seems to be almost explainable except for a couple of puzzling aspects which leave some element of doubt. If what probably appears to be the cause of this sighting was indeed the cause, it is nevertheless an interesting case in that it is a good example of how a source of light several miles away can appear to an intelligent, well-meaning, and quite discerning individual, under what could only have been peculiar localized meteorological conditions. This, in spite of assurance from the meteorological office that nothing abnormal was apparent at that time, nor did the witness notice any strange weather conditions.

Mr. Jim Bader left his home in Shelburne, Ontario shortly before 7:00 on the morning of Monday, December 11, 1978. In a few minutes he was heading east along Highway 89 toward Primrose where he was to turn south on Highway 10. Just before reaching Highway 10 he noticed a couple of lights rising above some trees growing on a noticeable hill ahead of him on the left (north) side of Hwy. 89, beyond the Hwy. 10 junction. He pulled off the road, rolled down his window, shut off his engine and watched. The lights, yellowish-orange in colour, rose slowly to an estimated 15 to 20 degrees in the sky and then fell slowly behind the trees again. There was no sound, the morning was still and overcast. Daylight had not yet broken. As he watched the lights disappearing behind the trees he noticed two more similar lights, spaced farther apart, "come on" above the trees. They, too, came down to within tree-top level and held their position for a while, then went below the tree-line, glowing behind the trees, and soon disappeared.

Puzzled, he started his car again and turned south on Hwy. 10. He had barely travelled a few hundred yards when he noticed, in his rear-view mirror, two bright yellow-orange lights again. Looking back over his shoulder, he noticed they were of "fair size" and exhibited the same intensity of brightness across their complete diameters. He again pulled his car to the side of the road and watched. The lights rose above the trees as before; one remained up while the other came down, going behind the trees again. He noticed that it "lit up the whole area of trees with an eerie orange-yellow glow." Then both lights faded.

He needed gasoline for his car, so he started down the highway again, but out of curiosity stopped at the top of a hill about half a mile south of Hwy. 89. Again he saw two more lights which, if they had been directly over the trees in question, would have been about 800-1000 feet in altitude. They slowly fell to about 100 to 150 feet above the trees and seemed to hover. As he watched they started getting bigger and brighter, as if they were approaching him. He could see no solid structure between them. Slightly alarmed, he took off down the highway to the gas station on the other side of the hill, telling his story to the attendant. It was shortly after 7:00 AM.

After he had filled up he noticed day was breaking and feeling a little bolder, he returned up the highway to the last place he had stopped, but saw nothing. He continued on his way to work and called U.P. Investigations Research Inc., later that evening.

When we met Jim Bader later that week at his home in Shelburne we discovered that he was a glider pilot, familiar with planes and their lights as well as with the appearance of flares, and he was certain that what he had seen could not be accounted for by any of these causes. We visited the area of the sighting, followed through his actions of the morning of December 11, and confirmed his estimate of 15 to 20 degrees for the maximum elevation of the lights.

On returning to his house we talked to his wife and were told that three co-workers of hers in Dundalk had left their home in Markdale at 5:00 AM to drive to work on December 11 and had been frightened by two round, bright orange lights that had suddenly appeared from behind a barn on the east side of Hwy. 10. Unfortunately, they refused to talk further about the incident to anyone.

Another witness in Primrose had been called to the window at 6:00 AM by her son, and saw two orange balls of light in the same direction reported by Jim Bader. The son had taken a photograph which unfortunately didn't turn out. They noticed several cars pulled off the highway at that time, apparently watching the lights.

Canadian Forces Base Borden is about sixteen miles beyond Primrose in the general direction in which the lights were observed, so we contacted them and were told that they were involved in a training exercise simulating a downed-plane rescue during the early morning hours of December 11. The reply to our enquiry reads as follows: "The exercise commenced shortly after 3:00 AM and ended by 10:00 AM on 11 December. During the hours of darkness two CC130 Hercules aircraft were involved, one orbiting at approximately 4500 ft AGL and the other orbiting at 1000 to 2000ft AGL. The aircraft had normal lighting and did not use any special lights or landing lights.

From approximately 3:30 AM until shortly after dawn, about one hundred flares were dropped and, with only a few lapses, a continuous light was provided in the exercise area. The flares, which have a burning time of five minutes, ignited at 4000 ft AGL and burned out at approximately 1500 ft AGL. To provide a continuous light, one or two flares were dropped about every four and a half minutes with the result that as many as four flares were burning at one time.

The flares produced a white to pale yellow light of 2,000,000 candle power. At a distance, atmospheric conditions can produce unusual effects. The light can be of a different colour, the light source may appear larger and the light can flicker or pulsate.

The exercise activity centred on latitude 44° 15'N, longitude 79° 57'W in the CFB Borden training area. The orbiting aircraft stayed within a radius of approximately five nautical miles from that point while the flares burned within a radius of one nautical mile."

This seemed to explain what it was that all the witnesses had seen. But there were still a few questions to be considered; also Jim Bader was adamant in his opinion that what he had seen were not flares. He had a point. CFB Borden stated the flares were "*dropped...ignited at 4000 ft AGL* (above ground level) *and burned out at approximately 1500 ft AGL.*" But the lights Mr. Bader saw first were *"rising above some trees...rose slowly to an estimated 15 to 20 degrees in the sky and then fell slowly behind the trees again."* This happened not once but twice. When he was stopped on Hwy. 10 *"the lights rose above the trees as before."* Why would flares dropped from a plane rise first? Even if they were initially projected up from the plane (which was flying at about 4500ft AGL) they did not ignite until they had fallen to 4000 ft AGL.

A second interesting point is the elevation to which Jim Bader saw the lights rise. Since CFB Borden is about 16 miles from Primrose, a little elementary trigonometry reveals that an altitude of 4000 ft AGL would be equivalent to an elevation of only three degrees to an observer 16 miles away, nowhere near the 15 to 20 degrees reported by Bader. Could he have been that far off in his estimate? This also assumes the witness is at the same elevation as ground level beneath the light source. A topographical map of the region reveals that Primrose is around 500 feet higher that CFB Borden. In addition, there was a noticeable treed hill interfering with Bader's line of sight in the direction of CFB Borden. All of this should have served to cause the apparent elevation of the maximum height of the flares to be less than three degrees, and perhaps to be not even visible from Primrose at all.

Furthermore, the lights Bader saw "lit up the whole area of trees with (see LIGHTS, p.32)

BOOK REVIEW

THE ANDREASSON AFFAIR, *by Raymond E. Fowler. Copyright © 1979 by Raymond E. Fowler and Betty Andreasson. (Introduction by Dr. J. Allen Hynek.) Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey (et al.): Prentice-Hall, Inc., and Wellington, New Zealand: Whitehall Books Limited, 1979. Hardcover. Pp. 239 (including 42 illustrative figures, four appendices, bibliography and index).* ISBN 0-13-036608-0.

"I am so happy someone is finally studying... UFOs. Now I can tell...of my experience...an encounter in 1967 with UFO occupants..." (p. 19). Mrs. Betty Ann Andreasson wrote these words to Dr. J. Allen Hynek in August 1975, and *The Andreasson Affair* is the result of the extensive investigation which eventually followed. It is a very interesting, superbly illustrated, though somewhat unsettling book about a most unusual UFO abduction case (which is sometimes referred to as a close encounter of the fourth kind - CE IV). Most of the book consists of Betty Andreasson's detailed verbatim account, related mainly under regressive hypnosis, of her intriguing and sometimes frightening abduction experience. At age 30 she was allegedly abducted from her home in South Ashburnham, Massachusetts, onto a UFO craft for about four hours commencing around 6:30 p.m. on January 25th, 1967 (a year of many UFO reports). Betty's parents and her eldest child Becky, then aged 11, also witnessed the beginning of the abduction experience.

Like other UFO abductees Betty Andreasson had almost no conscious memory of the details of her experience. She vaguely recalled the initial appearance of four, perhaps five bizzare, gnomish entities in her living room, and as the years passed she realized that something very unusual had happened to her. She had a "hazy yet vivid" recollection (p. 18) of the experience, including of a "pulsating light" (p. 132). Becky later thought that her own vague recollections of her mother's temporary departure were a bad dream, but a very real one.

After seeing a local newspaper article about the Center for UFO Studies in August 1975 Betty wrote to Dr. Hynek, the Center's director. Her request actually a plea for assistance was later forwarded to Ted Bloecher, co-chairman with David Webb of the Humanoid Study Group, which is associated with the Mutual UFO Network, Inc. (MUFON), one of the major private U.S.-based UFO investigation organizations. Some of MUFON's investigators in Massachusetts subsequently were asked to pursue the case. Ray Fowler, the book's author, joined the investigative team after this case appeared to be both interesting and credible. A longtime and respected UFO investigator, Fowler is the author of *UFOs: Interplanetary Visitors* (Jericho, N. Y.: Exposition Press, 1974, and soon to be published in softcover by Prentice-Hall), and editor of the *MUFON Field Investigator's Manual* (2nd ed.; Seguin, Texas: MUFON, 1975). His extensive familiarity with UFO encounter cases includes the classic incident which became the subject of John G. Fuller's bestselling paperback *Incident at Exeter* (New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1966). Ray Fowler operates the Woodside Planetarium and Observatory in Wenham, Massachusetts.

Most of *The Andreasson Affair* presents verbatim transcriptions (from Fowler's 528 page confidential report of the case) of the questions asked and Betty's, and much less frequently Becky's, responses when under regressive hypnosis. Verbatim accounts are also provided from the investigators' debriefing discussions (which contain much important information) held with them at the end of each hypnosis session. Fowler intersperses lucid narrative explanation and comment in order to provide clarity and continuity. The hypnosis sessions were conducted on 14 separate occasions between April and July 1977 under the supervision of Dr. Harold J. Edelstein, director of the New England Institute of Hypnosis in Wakefield, Massachusetts. Even the printed word can partly convey the anxiety and sometimes outright terror Betty felt when relating the more bizarre aspects of her experience.

Under hypnosis Mrs. Andreasson recalled her 1967 abduction experience as including (apparently) her undergoing a sometimes painful medical examination on a UFO craft; a strange visit somewhere in Magonialand; observance of the death and rebirth of the huge legendary eagle-like bird called Phoenix; receipt of a message of salvation intended for mankind, and being given a thin blue book (but only for ten days). Several aspects of her experience, including the nature of the message for the world, contained startling religious overtones (perhaps reflecting her strong convictions as a fundamentalist Christian). There are also hints of an earlier abduction by the same entities and that they at least once interceded into Betty's statements under regressive hypnosis, also that their subsequent interference in her life may have caused a family tragedy. After Betty's perceived experiences are related the author briefly compares 13 different aspects of it with those of other UFO CE III abduction and other cases. The book contains an easily readable typeset, an excellent index, a good bibliography and 40 detailed illustrations provided (after post-hypnotic suggestions) by Betty Andreasson - an excellent amateur artist - about her captors, their craft, and other aspects of her abduction experience.

Several examples are provided of the investigators' research to establish impressive credibility of the witnesses and verification of aspects of the reported experience. The investigators were able to identify the day and approximate time duration of the abduction experience, also the prevailing weather conditions, that a certain television program was shown locally an hour or two before the abduction began, and that a power failure occurred in South Ashburnham, Mass. that day. They also established that Betty and Becky were well regarded in their community, and facilitated Betty's voluntarily taking a psychiatric interview. Fowler writes that "the doctor found no symptoms of active thought disorders or obvious psychiatric problems" (pp. 209-10). The first appendix discusses and graphically illustrates responses to questions in a psychological stress evaluator (PSE) test taken by Betty Andreasson. Becky also took such a test, and Fowler cites the certified PSE analyst who administered these tests, Enerst C. Reid, as concluding that Betty and Becky "were telling the truth with regard to the 1967 incident." Reid's report also said: "It is extremely unusual.. .that we would render an opinion as definitive as we would in this particular instance," and "in the opinion of this analyst the results are conclusive" (pp. 210-11).

The book exhibits several weaknesses in spite of these indications of thorough, competent investigation and verification. Notably, it deals inadequately with the most important research question. Fowler provides some discussion in Appendix B about the use of hypnosis as an investigative technique in UFO research and in police work. Curiously, however, he does not refer either there or in the bibliography to the published writings by Dr. Alvin H. Lawson - in the *Proceedings of the 1976 CUFOS Conference* and in the *1977 MUFON UFO Symposium Proceedings* which raise serious questions concerning the reliability and validity of information, secured through regressive hypnosis, about the objective reality of alleged UFO abduction experiences.

Another important omission is the absence of discussion about the implications of the significant emotional stress Betty Andreasson experienced prior to and just before the abduction and increasingly so for ten years until, and after, she related her perception of it under hypnosis in 1977. On December 23, 1966, five weeks before her abduction, her husband James had been severely injured in an automobile accident and was in intensive care and traction in hospital for several months. On January 23, 1967 - four days before Betty's abduction - he was transferred to a hospital too far away for Betty to visit him daily, as she had done since the accident. Moreover, owing to their longstanding increasing marital tension Betty was under emotional stress for some time prior

to the 1967 incident, and also subsequently until and beyond the period of the hypnosis sessions in 1977. She and her husband separated late in 1975 or in 1976 (Fowler does not indicate exactly when) and Betty had to raise the seven children alone, though she had been receiving help from her parents. During the four month period of the hypnosis sessions she was planning the family's move to Florida in search of a better life. These circumstances of human tragedy obviously caused Betty considerable emotional stress but, unfortunately, Fowler does not discuss their possible effect on either the abduction experience and/or her interpretation of it ten years later. Another omission about information obtained under hypnotic regression is the absence of discussion about the probable reliability of details recalled such a long time - ten years - after the incident, including verbatim telepathic conversations with the humanoids (pgs. 32,129).

Other important research issues are not discussed. We are told that after the 1967 experience Betty read "books and articles on UFOs" and that much of this material appeared to be from "obviously...uncritical UFO literature (p. 181). Fowler says that Betty's letter to Dr. Hynek indicates this but the portion cited does not contain this information. Inexplicably, the entire letter is not reproduced as an appendix. To what extent might Betty's reading of such UFO literature have influenced her subsequent interpretation, under hypnosis and otherwise, of her UFO abduction experience? (Betty apparently had no interest in or knowledge of UFOs prior to her 1967 experience.) Yet another question is if any research was undertaken to try to identify the eagle-like insignia on the entities' clothes.

Additional weaknesses are that the book does not provide any indication of attempts which may or may not have been made to identify a few other specific aspects of Betty's experience which can be subjected to at least some objective verification. Did the investigators try to find linguists to identify Betty's speech in a strange unrecognizable though perhaps intelligible language (see pp. 138, 140, 157)? Could a medical examination - even ten years after the fact - confirm if a small "BB-shaped object" had been inserted into the back of her nose prior to 1967 and removed that year (see pp. 57-58, 183)? Could any link be established between the Andreasson family and Betty's automatic writing of "strange symbols" which were "found to be very similar to the so-called spirit writing practiced by the Shakers, an early American religious sect" (p. 189)? Why was an illustration not provided of Betty's drawing of the "strange script" in the thin blue book (see p. 153)? In any subsequent edition of *The Andreasson Affair* this reviewer would hope that these and any other unanswered questions or issues would be discussed.

Fowler stated in the first chapter that Betty and Becky "believed" that Betty's abduction experience actually "happened" and that he does too (p. 21). Even if the reader concurs (and there appears to be no reason not to) we are all nonetheless still in the dark as to the ultimate reality of Betty's experience. (But this is in the nature of such genuine UFO abduction and other cases.) Was it a real physical happening? If so, who and/or what caused it? Extra-terrestrial visitors? Aliens from another dimension or realm? Or, was it a psychical or paranormal experience? Something else? A combination of these? Such questions are crucial because of the many "high strangeness" features of this case. Towards the end of the hypnotic/debriefing sessions Dr. Edelstein offered this view: "I think there is substance here, but it can't be pushed because you'll frighten her. ...I don't know if you can believe everything, but I believe wholeheartedly that in many instances, she believes what she's telling you"...(pp. 161-62). Ray Fowler does not draw any conclusion(s) about the ultimate reality of Betty Andreasson's experience though he frequently, perhaps inadvertently, used terms or rhetorical questions which imply that he feels that it was caused by extra-terrestrial visitation - i.e., visitors from another planet. His most important concluding remark is that the major research question is unresolved: "Just how much of the Andreasson Affair corresponds to physical reality remains a matter for continued study and speculation" (p. 204). One lesson from this

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which Betty was taken. Also, the feeling of floating was again described. Betty found herself floating several inches above the ground. Her legs felt strange; in fact her whole body felt weightless.

Another peculiarity noticed by Armstrong was that at one point he thought he saw one of the beings go through a wall, but he remarked that there must have been a door. Well maybe there wasn't, for Andreasson reported the same thing. *"He was starting out the door, and I was going through the same thing, the wood, that they were."* (p33) But if they can walk through walls one might wonder why they need doors on their 'craft'. Betty was told *"they have metals they cannot penetrate."* (p144)

It was suspected that during the Schirmer and Armstrong regression sessions the percipients were being directly contacted at one point by the entities involved in their respective encounters. This was even more apparent in Betty Andreasson's regression. During one of the sessions *"her face became contorted. It looked as if she were struggling against someone or something that was taking control of her speech facilities."* (p137) When asked if she felt the entities were controlling her words at that moment she replied that they were, and that they were also restraining her arms, hands and feet which had become numb.

Finally, Betty was told that many other people had been taken on board and examined. One wonders who were the children that Gerry Armstrong saw while he was in the dome shaped structure during his encounter.

There are many other similarities among various alleged UFO abduction cases but we must exercise caution when determining their significance since there are just as many dissimilarities. What does it all mean? Looking at the Armstrong case by itself it is possible to interpret it as either a projection or an abduction and perhaps not be overly concerned with the mechanics. But in view of the reported number of this type of incident the mechanics of the contact, in my opinion, take on a greater significance. The analysis and evaluation of such cases should therefore be of top priority to researchers, and co-operation should be sought from scientists of all disciplines toward achieving some much needed progress in this field.

Even though it is impossible in the Armstrong case to compile any further physical evidence to indicate he actually experienced a UFO abduction, this should nevertheless be a primary objective in all future such incidents. Evidence such as this, along with a greater understanding of the role played by hypnotic time regression, will go a long way toward demonstrating whether indeed alien beings are inter-relating with certain humans. The monumental question then becomes "Why?" ●

BRAY

known that UFOs are not a modern phenomenon, they've been around for centuries, and perhaps thousands of years if we dig deep into ancient records. This in itself would tend to disclaim the theory that we're being explored as one planet would explore another planet from a technological viewpoint, and that in fact we seem to be a pawn in the hands of a control factor which may be interdimensional. This is what Vallee suggests. Does this seem a viable speculation to you?

ARTHUR: Yes it does. I think there is a lot to be said for Vallee's theory with respect to control. Vallee is a very astute scientist. What he says makes a lot of sense to me. I don't know that I can elaborate on that any more Dave, but I think he is one of the foremost researchers today.

JUFO: It's been a pleasure talking with you Art. Thanks very much, and good luck with your new book. ●

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be better directed towards trying to get different groups of scientists to study the UFO enigma independently of the United Nations?

Regardless of whatever UN study or action, if any, develops as a result of Grenada's initiative and the UFO experts' presentations to the UN Special Political Committee a useful beginning has been made in pressing the case for a major international scientific study of the persistent worldwide UFO phenomenon.

(Ed.'s note: A much shorter and otherwise slightly different version of this article appeared in *UFORUM*

- Official Newsletter of the U.F.O.Research Centre: Ontario (UFORCO), Vol. IV (No. 1, April 1979). The author has been interested in and voluntarily active in support of the United Nations for twenty-six years, slightly longer than his interest in the UFO phenomenon. He is currently chairman of UFORCO and international coordinator for the Mutual UFO Network, Inc. (MUFON). The views expressed in this article are his own and, do not necessarily reflect those of UFORCO, MUFON or *JUFO*. ●

LIGHTS

an eerie orange-yellow glow." This should not be the case with a source of light sixteen miles away, even if it is 2,000,000 candle power, unless there were some peculiar weather conditions such as a temperature inversion, causing a wild index of refraction.

A bright light through sixteen miles of atmosphere would take on the yellowish-orange colour reported by Bader. In fact it should have been more reddish-orange. It could also appear larger and might pulsate, as he reported in one instance. The next step was to establish the meteorological conditions on that morning. Jim Bader recalled it was still and overcast.

Gene Duret, our meteorological consultant checked with the weather office at Toronto International Airport and obtained the weather conditions for that morning as recorded at Mount Forest, thirty miles west of Primrose. This is the closest weather station to Primrose, but a check with other nearby stations revealed fairly uniform readings. The official report at 7:00 AM was cloudy, with 2½ miles visibility, scattered snow flurries and a measured 2200 ft ceiling. There was certainly no temperature inversion and no index of refraction which could cause the witness to see the flares directly. The possibility of direct observation could now be eliminated anyway, with a measured ceiling of 2200 ft.

If what Jim Bader saw was indeed the CFB Borden flares some extremely strange reflections from the cloud cover were involved. I like to think that I could tell the difference between a direct source of light and a cloud reflection, especially if there were several instances in a row to experience as there were with Jim Bader's sighting. And what about the sighting made by the three women from Markdale? Markdale is about 40 miles from CFB Borden.

Even though the times of the sightings and the high number of lights involved seem to correlate to the CFB Borden exercise, I for one cannot conclude with certainty that that was what the witnesses observed. Jim Bader certainly doesn't think so. But if that isn't the explanation, what is? ●

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case is clear; UFO investigators should note Betty's expectation of them. She described her feeling after she asked Dr. Hynek to investigate her bewilderment: "...here's somebody that really is interested in finding out about it... They are really going to spend time searching out the thing. I felt relieved ..." (p. 134). How many other Betty Andreassons are still looking for qualified people with whom to share similar unsettling experiences (see p. 146)?

Notwithstanding its shortcomings this reviewer highly recommends *The Andreasson Affair* to both UFO researchers and the general public. Dr. Hynek's introduction foretells the reader that it "is a book that will captivate, bother, intrigue, and even frighten as one pursues it and contemplates its implications" (p. 9). The book does all this, and more. It may be the best investigated, *reported* known UFO abduction case and is possibly the one most extensively written up and published since the classic well known case of Betty and Barney Hill, which was the subject of John Fuller's bestselling paperback *The Interrupted Journey* (New York: Dell Publishing Co., Inc., 1966). The Andreasson Affair may or may not be as significant, and it is an ongoing continuing case.

Well investigated but unexplained UFO abduction cases require greater scientific study by professionals in numerous fields. Hopefully, this book will provide a stimulus for more such attention.

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(Editor's note: Readers interested in this case should also see Ted Bloecher's review of *The Andreasson Affair* on pp.15-16 of the May 1979 edition of *The MUFON UFO Journal*.) ●

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itude should cause them to drop their research, even though it does exist. As I have mentioned before, the scientific approach does not consist of drawing conclusions first and then collecting data which seem to support these conclusions, while ignoring non-supportive data. We have a puzzling phenomenon on our hands, and an all out effort should be made toward resolving the puzzle, regardless of those who think that they have all the answers. I, for one, hope that Gontovnick and Sapienza reconsider their decision to cease active research.

In August, my wife and I leave for London, England to attend the First London International UFO Congress, organized by the British UFO Research Association (BUFORA). I shall be representing Canada on the Working Party whose objectives are to establish international standards on the Terminology, Definitions and Classifications of Ufology, and to discuss the application of micro-processors to the data, holding a common data base, and common computer software and hardware. Dr. J. Allen Hynek will be representing the U.S., and other countries represented include Belgium, Denmark, France, Italy, the Netherlands and U.K., and perhaps more. It is to be hoped that some constructive progress will result, and I hope to report on the results in our next issue.

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